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 Please cancel, without prejudice, claims 1 to 10 in the underlying PCT application. Please also cancel, without prejudice, claims 1 to 8 in the annex to the International Preliminary Examination Report.

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 Please add the following new claims:

Rule 1.126  
 11-9. (New) A method for actively assisting a motor vehicle driver in a motor vehicle using at least one control unit and an input and output unit, the control unit configured to access data of sensors and control units relevant to a condition of the motor vehicle and to transmit control commands to the control units and devices configured for external communication, comprising the steps of:

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 detecting a critical vehicle condition by the control unit by evaluating the data of the sensors and the control units;

generating a list of possible actions for the motor vehicle driver in response to the critical vehicle condition detected in the detecting step;

displaying the detected critical vehicle condition and the list of possible actions of the motor vehicle driver on a display unit of the input and output unit; and  
 executing an action selected by the motor vehicle driver using the control unit.

12-10. (New) A method for actively assisting a motor vehicle driver in a motor vehicle using at least one control unit and an input and output unit, the control unit configured to access data of comfort control units and to transmit control commands to the comfort control units, comprising the steps of:

manually activating the method by the motor vehicle driver;

displaying an input prompt on a display unit of the input and output unit relating to which comfort setting should be changed;

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 context-sensitive and preference-sensitive compiling of at least one of operational settings and control element relevant to the input prompt on the display unit using the control unit; and

executing input control commands.

13-11. (New) A method for actively assisting a motor vehicle driver in a motor vehicle using at least one control unit and an input and output unit, the control unit configured to access at least one of an internal database and an external database, comprising the steps of:

manually activating the method by the motor vehicle driver;  
 displaying a list of possible recommendations on a display unit of the input  
 and output unit;  
 executing at least one of a context-sensitive and a preference-sensitive  
 interrogation dialog to ascertain a driver command;  
 displaying possible actions performable in response to the ascertained driver  
 command; and  
 executing an action selected by the motor vehicle driver using the control unit.

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12. (New) A device for actively assisting a motor vehicle driver in a motor  
 vehicle, comprising:

at least one control unit configured to evaluate detected conditions critical to  
 the motor vehicle; and

an input and output unit configured to detect and display conditions critical to  
 the motor vehicle using the control unit, to generate and display a list of possible  
 actions of the motor vehicle driver in response to the detected conditions critical to  
 the motor vehicle as an input option with the condition critical to the motor vehicle;  
 wherein the control unit is configured to perform a selected input option.

15 14. (New) The device according to claim 12, wherein the control unit is  
 connected to at least one other control unit of the motor vehicle by a CAN bus.

16 14. (New) The device according to claim 12, wherein the display unit includes  
 a touch screen.

17 15. (New) The device according to claim 12, wherein the input and output  
 unit includes an input device, the input device including at least one of a voice-  
 recognition unit and a bidirectional, rotary pressure transducer.

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18 16. (New) A device for actively assisting a motor vehicle driver in a vehicle,  
 comprising:

at least one control unit configured to acquire data of comfort control units  
 and to control the comfort control units; and